

The two towns worked closely together on many issues, and began to have a unified identity. Winston and Salem's citizens then voted to consolidate the two towns into the city of Winston-Salem. This officially took effect May 9, 1913, and Oscar B. Eaton was elected the first mayor of the newly formed city. After consolidation, Winston-Salem was one of North Carolina's foremost cities throughout the 1920s due to vastly successful R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., Wachovia Bank and Trust Co., Hanes Knitting, Hanes Dye and Finishing, and Piedmont Airlines.

The Winston-Salem Arts Council was founded in 1949, and was the first of its kind in the Nation. It has led to the rich arts culture that Winston-Salem enjoys today. The University of North Carolina School of the Arts was established as the first of its kind State-supported arts college in the United States. Through the years the university has equipped thousands of men and women developing the arts in the program to incorporate dance, design and production, drama, film making, and music. Today, Winston-Salem is known as "The City of the Arts and Innovation."

As the economy changed in the 1900s, the leaders of the city successfully worked to make Winston-Salem prosperous in the new age by establishing the Piedmont Triad Research Park, which recently became the Wake Forest Innovation Quarter. This equipped the city with technological and medical jobs that has grown to be the leading of industry in Winston-Salem today.

Winston-Salem has received many accolades for its friendly business environment, low cost of living, lively downtown district, and many other aspects. In Winston-Salem, May 9-12 has been set aside to celebrate the 100th anniversary of their consolidation. So I join my fellow Winston-Salem citizens and leaders in celebration of this historic anniversary.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### RECOGNIZING STEPTOE & JOHNSON

• Mr. MANCHIN. Mr. President, today I wish to highlight a West Virginia business on its 100th year in the Mountain State—Steptoe & Johnson, a renowned and nationally respected energy law firm.

From yesterday's humble beginnings, Steptoe & Johnson now has more than 270 attorneys and a staff of 570 people, including more than 220 real estate professionals, working in 14 offices in 6 states—my home State of West Virginia, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Texas, Ohio and Colorado.

Over the past century of American history—through war and peace, through recessions and abundance, through tragedy and triumph—Steptoe & Johnson has persevered and prospered.

I wonder if Philip P. Steptoe and Colonel Louis A. Johnson looked 100 years into the future when they hung out their shingle and established their law firm in Clarksburg, WV, in 1913. I wonder if they ever dreamed Steptoe & Johnson would grow so large or be so influential.

They probably did, because they began their practice in Clarksburg, a perfectly centralized location with a diverse economy. That decision alone helped introduce their company to various service-related industries and public utilities.

Over the next century, Steptoe & Johnson would grow and expand numerous times, opening six offices across West Virginia, including Bridgeport, Charleston, Huntington, Martinsburg, Morgantown, and Wheeling. That solid foundation helped propel them into five other States.

Steptoe & Johnson's success story is similar to that of many of our Nation's great entrepreneurs: two men with one vision began this American-made story of service and perseverance. Today, more than 800 individuals join together on a daily basis to carry out the company's vision and mission, by offering strong representation and quality service to its clientele.

But for Steptoe & Johnson, there is no end in mind—only the future.●

##### REMEMBERING EVAN DUBE

• Mrs. SHAHEEN. Mr. President, Senator AYOTTE and I wish to commemorate the life of Evan Dube, a young man from Plaistow, NH, whose life was tragically cut short on May 19, 2012. Evan's spirit touched the lives of many in his community, and his legacy as a kind and loving friend will not be forgotten.

Ms. AYOTTE. Mr. President, Evan, a graduate of Timberlane Regional High School in Plaistow, NH, was a beloved member of both the school's community and the greater Plaistow community. Evan was involved in the school's theatre program, competed on the Model United Nations team, and was a member of the National Honor Society. Upon graduating from Timberlane, Evan began his freshman year at Bates College in Lewiston, ME, where he was studying classical and medieval studies. At the time of his passing, Evan was participating in an archaeological research project in Scotland.

Mrs. SHAHEEN. While Evan earned great success in his academic pursuits, his most profound impact was on the lives of those with whom he interacted. Evan's thoughtful compassion touched the lives of hundreds of acquaintances, friends, and family members. This was evidenced in part by a ceremony held to honor Evan's life at the Timberlane Regional High School Performing Arts Center where nearly 900 individuals honored his memory and celebrated the life that he lived with extraordinary attention to the thoughts and feelings of those around him.

Ms. AYOTTE. In the wake of Evan's passing, students and faculty of Timberlane Regional High School gave great thought to the true meaning of compassion. To honor Evan's life and the many lessons he shared, members of the community have worked to incorporate Evan's values of compassion and kindness into their daily lives. We would all be well served by emulating such behavior.

Mrs. SHAHEEN. We express our true sorrow at the loss of such an admirable, accomplished, and compassionate young man. We would also like to recognize and offer our sympathies to Evan's family, including his mother Eileen, his father John, and his twin brother Conor. We are confident that Evan's friends and family have great pride when they remember the impact that his short life had on so many individuals.

Ms. AYOTTE. We recognize Evan Dube for his well-lived life that was full of compassion, kindness and care. Those who knew Evan are fortunate to have had the opportunity to grow with and learn from him, and are certainly better off by having had their lives touched by such an inspirational person.●

##### TRIBUTE TO FATHER JONATHAN

• Mrs. SHAHEEN. Mr. President, today I wish to honor a remarkable leader, Father Jonathan DeFelice, who will retire as the President of Saint Anselm College in Manchester, NH, this June.

Father Jonathan, as he is known to his beloved students and college community, has devoted his adult personal and professional life to Saint Anselm College. He lives and works at Saint Anselm in community with his fellow monks of the Order of Saint Benedict, who founded the college in 1889. Under his leadership, Saint Anselm College has become a nationally ranked liberal arts college and model for other institutions of higher education on ways to expand civic engagement and community service among all members of the campus community.

Originally a native of Bristol, RI, Father Jonathan attended Portsmouth Abbey School for high school and completed his undergraduate career at Saint Anselm in 1969. He joined the Order of Saint Benedict in 1973, and 1 later was ordained a Roman Catholic priest. Shortly thereafter, Father Jonathan returned to Saint Anselm, where he served in the administration, holding a variety of positions, including dean of freshman students, assistant to the academic dean and dean of students. The capstone of his years of work for his alma mater was his appointment as its president 24 years ago.

Father Jonathan believes that student development requires pursuing both academics and extracurricular activities. Building on that philosophy, he helped oversee the creation of the New Hampshire Institute of Politics, established at Saint Anselm College to